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e. 8 August - 0600 hours.

A column of six Studebaker type trucks each towing an 85 mm AA gun preceded through Hammelspring into the Kannenberg camp.

each of the trucks carried a small party of men wearing black-red shoulderboards.

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f. 18 August - 1030 hours.

A convoy consisting of 18 three-axled trucks passed through Roeddelin and entered the Kannenberg camp. Each of the vehicles carried a single open metal pontoon. The blunt end of this pontoon adjoined the driver's cab and the sloping end over-lapped the tail of the vehicle by approximately 1 m. Personnel observed on the trucks were black shoulderboards with an anchor insignia.

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g. 22 August - 0500 hours.

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A column of approximately 30 trucks proceeded through Vorelsing and entered the Kannenberg camp. Twenty-four of these trucks were toking heavy AA guns. Twelve of the guns were 85 mm, Model 44, while the remaining twelve were of a distinctively heavier model and had the following characteristics: They were mounted on a four-wheel carriers (the wheels appeared to be solid) and had a caliber of approximately 10 to 12 cms. They had no muzzle brake but did have conspicuous double recuperators below the barrel. The barrel rested on a tried mast.

this AA unit had come from the new airfield nearby.

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h. 25 August - 0530 hours.

A column of 13 trucks, six of which towed 76.2 mm field AT guns, left the Kannenberg camp enroute toward Joachimsthal.

2. Vogelsang Camp

a. This encampment is fully occupied by Soviet troops. All personnel appear to wear black-red shoulderboards with either artillery or tank insignia in approximately equal proportions.

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- b. It is estimated that there are approximately 10,000 to 12,000 men of all ranks within the encampment.
- c. Heavy equipment observed entering or leaving the encampment during the period has included small numbers of T-34/85's, JS-2's and JS-3's, 100 mm AT guns and one column of twelve white scout cars.
- d. No unusual activity had been observed at this encampment other than the usual small number of arrivals and departures on a similar scale to previous months.

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3. Kannenberg Camp

- When the observations ended this encampment appeared to be completely occupied by Soviet troops. The majority were black-red shoulderboards. Approximately 50% of the troops appeared to wear tank insignia and two-thirds of the remainder were artillery insignia.
- b. It is estimated that there is a total of 5000 to 6000 men in this encampment and in the adjoining firing ranges.
- c. Heavy equipment observed entering the camp has included JS-3's, T-34/85's, 37mm, 85mm and 100mm AA guns. Double banked rocket launchers having short rails and mounted on ZIS-151 chassis and a column of mixed 120/160 mm heavy mortars were also observed. No accurate estimate of the total equipment held in this encampment is possible because of the numerous movements of small detachments in and out.
- d. Since 3 August 1955 there has been intensive heavy AA practice on the adjoining ranges. On several evenings up to eight searchlights cooperating with jet fighter aircraft have been observed.

4. Kroechlendorf Training Area.

a.	This new training area bounded between the villages of Wichmannsdorf-
	Kuhz-Beenz-Kroechlendorf (approximately 10 kms southwest of Prenzlau)
	is still occupied by approximately 1500 Soviet personnel. All appear
	to wear black-red shoulderboards with either tank or artillery insignia.
	There is a total of approximately 60 wooden huts all of which are
	occupied by the Soviet troops.

b.		the Soviets	had	25	5 X 1
	come from Prenzlau.				

- c. A telephone system consisting of two pairs of lines has been laid overland and connects the encampment with the town of Prenzlau.
- d. Heavy equipment observed at this training encampment includes at least 15 T-34/85's and at least 25 AT guns of approximately 100 mm caliber fitted with a large muzzle brake and a split boxed trail.



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